

Amendment to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A baseball training system comprising the following in combination:

~~a target;~~

a collector ~~for~~ having a target, said collector receiving and collecting balls
baseballs ~~thrown at the~~ at said target by a ~~thrower~~baseball player;

a throwback unit associated with an exit opening in said collector for receiving
~~collected balls~~ baseballs from said collector and for throwing said baseballs,
one at a time, back to said thrower~~baseball player,~~ said collector having a floor
for urging baseballs thrown at said target toward said exit opening in the
collector;

said throwback unit comprising:

a base;

a drive motor mounted on said base;

~~a wheel coupled to~~ driven by said drive motor; and

a guide situated on the ground and adjacent to said exit opening for
receiving baseballs passing through said exit opening, at least one of said
wheel or said guide being adjustable to permit adjustment of a
characteristic of said baseball training system;

said throwback unit causing said baseballs that are thrown at said target to
be thrown upward away from the ground and toward the baseball player;
said collector further comprising a collapsible frame and at least one wheel
rotatably mounted thereon to enable the collector to be moved.

2. (Currently Amended) The baseball training system as recited in claim 1 wherein said characteristic comprises a throwback trajectory of a ~~ball~~ baseball thrown by the throwback unit.
3. (Currently Amended) The baseball training system as recited in claim 1 wherein said characteristic comprises a ~~ball~~ baseball size for a ~~ball~~ baseball to be thrown back by the throwback unit.
4. (Currently Amended) The baseball training system as recited in claim 1 wherein said throwback unit comprises a ~~ball~~ baseball size adjuster coupled to at least one of said wheel or said guide for adjusting a relative distance between said wheel and said guide to accommodate ~~balls~~ baseballs having different circumferences.
5. (Currently Amended) The throwback system as recited in claim 1 wherein said system further comprises:
a guide adjuster coupled to said guide for adjusting a position of said guide relative to said wheel in order to change a trajectory of a ~~ball~~ baseball thrown back to said player bay said throwback unit.
6. (Currently Amended) The throwback system as recited in claim 5 wherein said system comprises:
a motor mount on which said drive motor is mounted;
a ~~ball~~ baseball size adjuster coupled to said wheel for adjusting a position of said wheel in response to a ~~ball~~ baseball size.
7. (Currently Amended) The throwback system as recited in claim 1 wherein said ~~ball~~ baseball size adjuster comprises:
a motor mount on which said drive motor is coupled;
a ~~ball~~ baseball size adjuster coupled to said wheel for adjusting a position of said wheel in order to move said wheel towards and away from said guide.

8. (Original) The baseball training system as recited in claim 6 wherein said adjuster comprising a rotatable crank for raising and lowering said wheel to said guide.

9. (Currently Amended) The baseball training system as recited in claim 4 wherein said ~~ball~~ baseball size adjuster comprises a preset gauge for receiving a ~~ball~~ baseball to be thrown back, said preset gauge gauging a size of said ~~ball~~ baseball so that when said baseball size adjuster is adjusted to a size of said ~~ball~~ baseball, a distance between said guide and said wheel is set, said distance generally corresponding to said size.

10. (Currently Amended) The baseball training system as recited in claim 4 wherein said system comprises an indicator for indicating a distance between said wheel and said gauge, said distance generally corresponding to a size of the ~~ball~~ baseball.

11. (Currently Amended) The baseball training system as recited in claim 1 wherein said ~~throwback unit~~ guide comprises a track for guiding ~~balls~~ baseballs from said exit opening toward said wheel, said collector comprising a floor that is angled relative to the ground in order to direct ~~balls~~ baseballs toward said track of said throwback unit.

12. (Original) The baseball training system as recited in claim 1 wherein said throwback unit is portable and detachable from said collector.

13. (Currently Amended) The baseball training system as recited in claim 1 wherein said collector comprises a collapsible frame and at least one wheel rotatably mounted thereon to enable the collector to be moved.

14. (Currently Amended) The baseball training system as recited in claim 12 wherein said throwback unit comprises a handle and at least one throwback wheel rotatably coupled to said base to enable the throwback unit to be moved.

15. (Currently Amended) The baseball training system as recited in claim 1 wherein said throwback unit comprises a handle and at least one throwback wheel rotatably coupled to said base to enable the throwback unit to be moved.

16. (Currently Amended) The baseball training system as recited in claim 1 wherein said system comprises:

a speed measure coupled to a front of the collector for measuring a speed of a ~~ball~~ baseball thrown at said target.

17. (Original) The baseball training system as recited in claim 1 wherein said speed measurer is mounted on said collector.

18. – 26 (Cancelled)

27. (Currently Amended) The throwback system as recited in claim 18 wherein said system comprises an indicator for indicating a distance between said wheel and said gauge, said distance generally corresponding to a size of the ~~ball~~ baseball.

28. (Currently Amended) The throwback system as recited in claim 25 wherein said system comprises an indicator for indicating a distance between said wheel and said gauge, said distance generally corresponding to a size of the ~~ball~~ baseball.

29. (Currently Amended) The throwback system as recited in claim 18 wherein said collector comprises a floor that is angled relative to the ground in order to direct ~~balls~~ baseballs to the throwback unit.

30. (Original) The throwback system as recited in claim 18 wherein said throwback system comprises at least one wheel mounted on said base for moving said throwback system.

31. (Cancelled)

32. (Currently Amended) A method for returning thrown-balls baseballs to a player, said method comprising the steps of:

providing a throwback unit and a collector having a floor for directing balls toward an exit opening;

situating said throwback unit adjacent to and in operative relationship-with-a- with said exit opening of said collector, said collector comprising a target and -for collecting balls thrown at a target associated with the collector said throwable unit causing baseballs thrown at said target to be urged toward said exit opening;

adjusting said throwback unit to accommodate a desired-ball baseball size; and
adjusting said throwback unit to return a-ball baseball along a predetermined-ball baseball return trajectory away from the ground and toward said player;

said throwback unit causing said baseballs that are thrown at said target to be thrown upward away from the ground and at toward the baseball player;

said collector comprises a collapsible frame and at least one wheel rotatably mounted thereon to enable the collector to be moved.

33. (Currently Amended) The method for returning thrown-balls baseballs to a player as recited in claim 32 wherein said method further comprises the step of:

rotating a crank to change said predetermined-ball baseball return trajectory.

34. (Currently Amended) The method for returning thrown-balls baseballs to a player as recited in claim 32 wherein said throwback unit comprises a drive motor for rotatably driving a wheel, said wheel cooperating with a guide to throw return a-ball baseball along said predetermined-ball baseball return trajectory, said method further comprises the step of:

rotating a crank to change a distance between said wheel and said guide in order when it is desired to change a size of a-ball baseball to be returned.